

EVENING BULLETIN.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, DEC. 23, 1857.

¶ A member of the Tennessee Senate writes as follows: "We have had considerable excitement in the last few days in the discussion of a bill providing for the resumption of specie payments by our banks. The point at issue is as to what period should be adopted; some insist that July next is time sufficient, while others contend it should be postponed until January, 1859. I am of opinion the latter date will be agreed upon."

"Charles Cassidy, who was 20 years ago considered the equal of Grundy, if not his superior for brilliant qualities of intellect, died a few days since at the poorhouse, in Sumner county. The medical students of the University at this place disinterred his body, and long before this have whetted their knives upon his carcass. Is it not a telling moral on the shadow pretensions of earthly greatness?"

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.—The Raleigh Register considers the President's message "a denunci and fireside production, much of the Aunt Nancy order. It is dressed in solid colors, somewhat brown, and wears its sober habiliments with much maidenly dignity and propriety. All the plaits are neatly smoothed and ironed, and the entire garment characteristically starched. It may be neatly folded up, and preserved among other reverend proprieties, appurtenant to the state and condition of all antiquated virginities."

¶ The President, Postmaster-General, and Committee of the New York Board of Aldermen have, so far as their action is necessary, completed an arrangement for transferring to the federal government land in the Park for the proposed new postoffice in that city. By the terms of the agreement Park place is to be extended through the Park in a straight line; and all the Park south of this extension is conveyed to the government for the postoffice.

THE NEW REPRESENTATIVES' HALL AT WASHINGTON.—The old hall of the House of Representatives is 96 feet long by 60 feet high. The new hall is 139 feet long, 93 feet wide, and 36 feet high. The height is perhaps not great enough for proportion with the other dimensions, but if it were greater the effect on the adaptation of the hall to public speaking would be probably injurious.

¶ The Londonderry (Ireland) Sentinel wants in formation of John Gray, whose deceased uncle, Rev. Robert Gray, a Presbyterian minister, has bequeathed to him a considerable sum.

¶ The foundry of Hill & Markham, at Baton Rouge, La., was destroyed by fire on the morning of the 14th. Loss \$35,000—insurance \$8,000.

RUNAWAY MATCHES.—The following is the bill on this subject reported in the House of Representatives, by Mr. Ilston, from the Committee on the Judiciary:

SEC. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, That any person who elopes with a white girl under the age of eighteen years, such girl being a citizen or resident of this State, with intent to marry her, without the consent of the person authorised by law to give such consent, and does not marry her, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and punished by fine and imprisonment.

SEC. 2. That hereafter, when any person shall elope with a white girl under the age of twenty-one years, such girl being a citizen or resident of this State, and shall marry such girl without the consent of the person authorised by law to give such consent, then such marriage shall not confer on the husband right to any property held by the wife at the time of such marriage, or thereafter coming into her by descent or purchase or otherwise, until she is twenty-one years old, but the same shall be held and managed by a guardian or trustee, other than the husband, for the sole and separate use of the wife and her children, if any, as in the case of other minors; nor shall the husband take any interest, by way of courtesy, descent, distribution, or survivorship, in any property of the wife, or any of her children upon the death of any of said children, or of the wife before she attains the age of twenty-one years; but the same shall pass to the wife's kindred, according to law, or according to the instrument under which the wife or child holds.

SEC. 3. That the female minor married as herein named may, at any time during her minority, sue for and obtain a divorce and alimony, and be restored to all rights of property, and all the privileges of an unmarried woman, upon the ground that she was so married, without the consent of the person authorised by law to give such consent; and such suit may be instituted in the circuit court of the county of her residence.

¶ Yesterday, we published a dispatch, which mentioned a report that Gen. Lane had been killed. The dispatch was based on the following letter published in the St. Louis Democrat of Tuesday. The Democrat does not place much reliance in the report:

HIGHLY IMPORTANT FROM KANSAS—DEATH OF GEN. LANE—GREAT EXCITEMENT.

LEAVENWORTH, Dec. 16, 1857.

To the Editors of the Missouri Democrat:

A messenger has just reached Leavenworth from Leavenworth, who informs me that Gen. James H. Lane was shot at Leavenworth, on the evening of the 15th, by a government Indian agent in Kansas. The parties had a warm discussion upon the proceedings of the Leavenworth convention, the constitution, and the action of the President. They became much excited, when Lane, making some remark derogatory to pro-slavery men, the agent drew a pistol and shot him dead. The greatest excitement is prevailing, and fears were entertained that retaliatory measures would be taken by his friends. I will send you particulars as soon as I can get them from undoubted authority. Many here do not credit the report, but those who know the hostility which exists between the government Sepoys and the people believe the report to be true.

ANOTHER NEGRO MAN KILLED.—A negro man, belonging to R. P. Todhunter, Esq., of this county, was stabbed with a knife by another negro belonging to Mrs. E. B. Coleman, on Sunday morning last, from the effects of which he died immediately. The negro who was killed had charged the other with stealing some money from him the night before, and overtaking him on the road to town, demanded that he should return it. Mrs. Coleman's boy, responded that he would give him the money, put his hand in his bosom, drew a knife and stabbed him through the heart. This is the second negro that has been killed in our country within the last month, the first being a valuable negro man belonging to Mr. Thos. S. Stamps, and it is only surprising, from the very loose discipline exercised over this class of our population, that deaths do not more frequently occur.

The negro of Mrs. Coleman was tried before Judge Graves yesterday, and sent on for further trial before the circuit court.—See *Observer*.

CINOLINE.—At a grand ball in Paris, lately, a fashionable lady, who had gone to the utmost in the extent of *cinoline*, was talking gaily to her friend General —, who so distinguished himself in the war with Russia. As she played with one of the folds of her enormous petticoat, she playfully inquired of her military friend what he thought of her *toilette* for the evening? "Ah, Madame," he said, with a sigh, "it is more than beautiful to me." "How?" she asked, dropping her eyes to conceal her pleasure at the expected compliment. "It reminds me so," said the General, "of the tents under which I slept so soundly in our encampments in the *Crimes*!" This from a General, being rather particular, the lady pushed the analogy no further.

SHAKESPEARE'S MIRRORS.—The N. Y.

Mirror states that Mrs. Fanny Kemble's readings of Shakespeare are for the benefit of Mr. Butler, her former husband, from whom she was divorced some years ago, and who is said to have lost the greater part of his immense fortune by the recent revolutions. The traducer of the sex will have to recant, for if it is true, as stated by the *Mirror*, the conduct of the divorced wife is certainly far above all praise.

ADVERTISING A HUSBAND.—A Mrs. Smith, having lost her husband, concludes that the best plan is to advertise:

LOST, STRAYED, OR STOLEN.—An individual whom I, in an unguarded moment of loneliness, was thoughtless enough to adopt as my husband. He is a good-looking and feeble individual, knowing enough, however, to go in when it rains, unless some good-looking girl offers her umbrella. Answers to the name of Jim. Was last seen in company with Julia Harris, walking with his arm around her waist, up the plank road, looking more like a fool (if possible) than ever. Any body who will catch the poor fellow, and bring him carefully back, so that I may chastise him for running away, will be asked to tea by

HENRIETTA A. SMITH.

FURTHER FOREIGN NEWS.

Great Britain.—It is mentioned in the Canada's news that the Leviathan steamship had been moved considerably down the ways. The following from the London Times of 1st December refers to the commencement of the operations:

The tedious process of moving this gigantic structure to the water was recommended at 9 o'clock yesterday morning, and was continued with the utmost success till a hitch occurred, and an annoying and irretrievable accident to one of the hydraulic machines stopped further progress.

In the first effort to start her all the screw-jacks, as well as the hydraulic machines, were used, and contrary to the expectations of many, who imagined that after remaining a whole night upon the ways it would be very difficult to stir her again, the great mass got into motion on the first pressure, and began to creep very slowly down the ways. Her progress at first was at the rate of an inch in about two minutes, but after awhile it improved, and continued for some time at an inch per forty seconds.

During the whole morning the rate of advance was as regular and noiseless as on previous occasions, the only change being that the metals, if anything, showed still less signs of friction, and there was an evident tendency of the vessel to move at a much slighter rate of pressure. Suddenly, in the midst of all their efforts, the monster slipped on the ways five inches forward and nine inches aft. She slid this distance in a single second, and with an awful rumbling kind of noise, which seemed at once distant and alarmingly near. The sudden motion and tremendous vibration surprised and alarmed the men, who all dropped their tools and stood prepared to run at the first signal of danger.

There was not, however, the least occasion for alarm, and the pressure was again gradually applied to the cradles on every part with redoubled vigor, but all in vain. The jerk and sudden stoppage evidently fixed her with unusual firmness, and no efforts could dislodge her, though the pressure from the rams was applied with such force that a beam 17 inches square crumbled up like a reed and bounded into the air from a strain of about 800 tons. This was soon replaced by another and a stronger beam, which was bound to the ways and loaded at the point with ballast. This held out with the others for a long time, and the struggle between the pressure applied and the passive resistance of the great masses of timber at last became one of almost terrible interest.

The beam strained, cracked, and vibrated, the escape valves of the rams were loosed with weights and held violently down, the men could scarcely move the handles, but still the vessel did not yield. In the midst of these great united attempts a loud explosion, followed by a rattling sound, occurred, and in a minute after it was known that one of the 10 inch hydraulic rams had burst its cylinder from top to bottom. The thickness of said iron which had thus given way under the pressure of a few quarts of cold water was 7½ inches, and a comparison of the diameter of the piston with the force it was exerting on the area of timber showed that the cylinder had only yielded under the stupendous pressure of some 12,000 lb. or 18,000 lb. to the square inch.

Of course, no ill effects attended its bursting. This accident puts an end to all further efforts for the day. Two more hydraulic machines will be fixed so as to enable work to be resumed at an early hour to-day. Trotman's anchors will also be sunk in the river, and the tackle which hauls the vessel in that direction made secure to those powerful hindostars.

The high tide of last night would for the first time place about twelve inches of water under the keel of the Leviathan. If an average amount of success attends this day's efforts, the high water at 2 o'clock will place about six feet under her deck, and this, though, of course, insufficient to float her, will at least take about 5,000 tons off the dead weight on the ways, and so facilitate her progress, that it is confidently hoped by Wednesday or Thursday, at latest, she will be brought all safe to her moorings in the Thames.

Mention is made in the Canada's news of great financial excitement at Hamburg. The latest correspondence from that city is the following:

HAMBURG, Nov. 28.

As many as fifty-six firms have decided upon re-deeming their acceptances due in from one week to a month from the present time, and many among them without even deducting any interest for the time wanting to arrive at maturity, others again merely taking a small nominal interest.

I have heard from other very reliable sources that not less than eight different firms have suspended payment in Stettin, and no less than thirty six houses in Berlin, among which is one to the amount of 1,400,000 thalers. For the last three days there have been no failures at all, and in the whole only twenty-two, the majority of which by no means involve any large sums, being unimportant houses.

Prussia.—The Berlin correspondent of the London Times, writing on the 26th of November, says:

One of the largest drysalteries houses that has been established in Berlin, for about 1,400,000 thalers, with bill obligations to the extent of one million. Among the cloth manufacturers, about the largest failure is that of Julius Cohn, the amount of whose liabilities cannot as yet be stated, and inasmuch as it is known that he had forged largely, and has already put an end to his life by blowing out his brains.

This individual, who stood very high in commercial esteem, had borrowed from a lithographer of this place some blank check forms, on pretence of choosing between them and ordering some to be printed for himself. One of these he filled up in the name of a highly respected banker for 18,000 thalers, and got it cashed by the cashier of a banking house in which he himself had an account, and was also a member of the committee of discounting.

A large house in the corn trade here and at Stettin, II. Moses, has failed for 1,200,000 thalers, and has pulled down with it the house of Behrendt Rosen, in Hamburg, and it is feared will very seriously affect many other houses here and in Stettin. A banker in Stettin, named Alex. Raup, has failed for 800,000 thalers, but it is understood that his estate will wind up well.

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